MEMBER: സർവ്വെ ക്ലാസ്സിൽ പുലയകുട്ടികളെ ഫീസ് ക്രടാതെ പഠിപ്പിക്കാൻ ഉത്തരവുണ്ടാകണം.

DEWAN: ആലോചിക്കാം.

MEMBER: പ്രാഥമിക വിദ്യാഭ്യാസം ഞങ്ങളുടെ സമുദായത്തിലെങ്കിലും നിർബ്ബന്ധിതമാക്കണം.

DEWAN: അതും ആലോചിക്കാം.

[The grant of additional concessions in the matter of education will be considered. Primary education is free to all. Your community has been granted exemption from payment of examination fees for a period of five years and the extension of the term of that concession will be considered. The pupils of your community will obtain scholarships in colleges. The grant of scholarships in High Schools is under consideration. Qualified members of the community will be appointed to Government service as far as possible, but it is not to the advantage of the community that all qualified men should look up to Government service alone. The admission of Pulaya pupils as free scholars in the Survey Schools will be considered. The introduction of compulsory education at least for your community, will be considered.]

150. Needs of the Pulayas.

MR. P. K. DAS (*Nominated*): who made his representation in Malayalam, said that for the last six or seven years the members of the Pulaya community had represented about the need for a legislation regarding succession and inheritance among Pulayas. The question had also engaged the attention of the Government. They had invited the views of the Dewan Peishkars on the subject. Owing to the absence of legislation, there was unnecessary litigation regarding succession and inheritance whenever a Pulaya died intestate. At present there were three systems of inheritance, *viz.*, *Makkathayam*, *Marumakkathayam* and *Misradayam*, among the Pulayas. The existence of different systems greatly marred the progress of the community. The Government should appoint a committee to conduct a detailed enquiry into the subject as they did before introducing legislation regarding succession, inheritance and marriage among the Ezhavas and the Vellalas. Even without such an enquiry, the Government were aware that the Pulayas were for *makkathayam* and for individual partition, from the numerous representations made in the Assembly by the leaders of the community. Resolutions had also been passed and forwarded to the Government, from the various meetings of the Pulayas, held in different parts of the State, urging the need for legislation on the above lines. At the same time, not a single individual or association of the community had expressed a contrary opinion in the matter. Hence legislation should be introduced on the desired lines at a very early date.

The member next urged the need for the Government affording special encouragement to social organizations established for the benefit of the community. It was some time since the question of appointing

a full time officer as Protector of Depressed Classes had engaged the attention of the Government. In Cochin, where the question was taken up simultaneously, such an officer had already been appointed. A full time officer should be appointed as Protector of Depressed Classes, without any further delay. Better encouragement should be given to the *Karayogams* and Co-operative Societies established for the special benefit of the community. The Government had appointed Honorary Organisers for the advancement of the Co-operative Societies. But there were none among them belonging to the depressed classes, like the Pulayas and Parayas. Members of the Pulaya and Paraya communities should also be appointed as Honorary Organisers of Co-operative Societies in various parts of the State.

DEWAN'S REPLY: നിങ്ങളുടെ സമുദായത്തിന്റെ പിൻതുടച്ചാവകാശത്തെപ്പറ്റി ഒരു ചട്ടം ഉണ്ടാക്കണമെന്നു നിങ്ങൾ പറഞ്ഞു. അതിനെസംബന്ധിച്ച് നിങ്ങളുടെ സമുദായത്തിന്റെ പൊതുവേയുള്ള അഭിപ്രായം വരുത്തുന്നതിനു പേഷ്കാരന്മാരെ ചുമതലപ്പെടുത്തിയിട്ടുണ്ട്. ഈ സംഗതി ഗവണ്മെൻറിന്റെ ആലോചനയിൽ ഇരിക്കുകയാണ്.

നിങ്ങളുടെ സമുദായത്തിലുള്ള പരസ്പരസഹായസംഘങ്ങളെ ശരിയായവിധത്തിൽ പ്രോത്സാഹനം ചെയ്യുന്നില്ലെന്നും അതുകൊണ്ട് നിങ്ങളുടെ സമുദായത്തിലുള്ളവരെ ആർഗനൈസേർസായി (organisers) നിയമിക്കണമെന്നും പറഞ്ഞു. ആർഗനൈസേർസിനെ സർക്കാർ ശമ്പളത്തിൽ നിയമിക്കുന്നപതിവു ഇപ്പോൾ നിർത്തിയിരിക്കയാണ്. എങ്കിലും അതു് വീണ്ടും തുടങ്ങണമോ എന്നുള്ള സംഗതി ആലോചനയിൽ ഇരിക്കുകയാണ്. അതു തീർച്ചയായാൽ നിങ്ങളുടെ സമുദായത്തിൽനിന്നും ആർഗനൈസേർസിനെ നിയമിക്കുന്ന കാര്യം ആലോചിക്കാം.

നിങ്ങളുടെ സമുദായത്തിന്റെ അഭിവൃദ്ധിക്കുവേണ്ടി നിങ്ങളുടെ സമുദായത്തിൽനിന്നും ചെയ്യുന്ന എല്ലാവിധശ്രമങ്ങളേയും ഗവണ്മെൻറു വേണ്ടവിധത്തിൽ സഹായിക്കുന്നതാണ്.

[The need for legislation relating to succession and inheritance in your community has been enquired into by the Peishkars and is under consideration by Government. You said that Co-operative Societies composed of members of your community are not receiving proper encouragement. If and when Organising Secretaries are again appointed, the question of selecting men from your community will be considered. Government are ready to render all proper help to organisations working for the uplift of your community.]

151. Disabilities of the Pulayas.

MR. P. K. DAS (*Nominated*): who made his representation in Malayalam, said that the Travancore State stood in the forefront in the matter of educational advancement when compared to the British Indian provinces and other Native States. Out of a revenue of two to two and a half crores of rupees, nearly Rs. 50 lakhs or 20